



HOLIDAY PARADE

PARADE RULES 2010



2010 THEME

Woodland Invitational Holiday Parade

General Information

Entrants must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow all instructions from police or parade officials. The Woodland Holiday Parade Committee reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade either prior to assembly, at assembly or at any time during the parade.

✦ **THEME** – 2010 - “Making Spirits Bright”

✦ **TIME** – First unit steps off at 10:00 a.m. SHARP. Units not in position will be placed in the last division. Parade ends at approximately 12:30 p.m.

✦ **ENTRY FEE** is \$20.00 with the exception of commercial entries at \$40.00 and political candidates, political organizations entries at \$60.00.

✦ **INSURANCE** - All vehicles with an engine or motor and all units having live animals, including equestrian units, must provide evidence of insurance for bodily injury and property damage with a combined single limit of \$300,000 or split limits of \$250,000 each person and \$500,000 each occurrence bodily injury liability and \$100,000 property damage liability. *A certificate of insurance must be provided with, Woodland Chamber of Commerce and the City of Woodland named as additional insured. This certificate of insurance must be received with your entry application.*

✦ **AWARDS** – Will be presented – time approximate – 2:30 p.m. Location – Yolo County Courthouse, 700 Block, Court Street and 2nd Street.

✦ **RAIN DATE** - None, Parade will occur rain or shine.

✦ There will be a **NO PARKING BAN** on Main Street starting at 8:00 AM!!

✦ **REVIEW STAND** – The review stand will be located across from the Opera House, Second & Main St. and will be positioned on the South (right) side of the street. Two stands are at this site; the first contains the judges for all categories. The judge receiving the salute will be in military uniform and in the center of the first stand. He/She will receive and return all salutes from units passing the review stand. The second stand will contain VIP's and no salute will be rendered.

✦ **PRE-JUDGING** – Starting at approximately 8:30 a.m. pre-judging will be done in the assembly area for Horse entries only.

✦ **PARADE ROUTE** – Parade starts at California Street and moves east on Main Street to Sixth Street.

✦ **STAGING AREA** – Will be on Main Street between Cottonwood and California Streets. All entries must enter the area at Main and Cottonwood.

✦ **COMPETITION AREA** – A quiet zone will be marked 100 feet before the start of the judge's stand; silence must be maintained in this zone. The judging area will be 450 feet long and the width of the city street. The start and finish judging lines and the quiet zone will be marked with signs.

✦ **Portable Toilets** will be available within the staging area.

- ✦ Please have your **number signs** visible and placed on the **right side** of your windshield or front of your truck at all times!! Marching units should have a lead walker to carry your numbered signs.
- ✦ Please **move** to the **right** in case of **emergency**.
- ✦ Parade Marshall's will be wearing **red vests**.
- ✦ **CURRENT INFORMATION** – Check the Chamber's Website www.woodlandchamber.org for the latest updates or call us at (530) 662-7327.

General Rules & Regulations

- ✦ Entry Restrictions - Floats, or any other units, advocating, opposing or depicting any social or religious issues are subject to approval of the Woodland Invitational Parade Committee. Entries by **political (ballot) measures** supported or opposed by individuals, groups, political action committees or by any other form are not allowed in the parade.
- ✦ The Parade Committee reserves the right to withdraw any unit of which the costume or performance does not meet these rules and regulations, or does not conform to the standards of reasonable community taste and decency.
- ✦ Entries that do not **fully comply** with the rules and regulations jeopardize future invitations to the Woodland Invitational Parade.
- ✦ The Parade Committee's decision regarding all entrants, their eligibility, placement and judging is final.
- ✦ Entries are by invitation only and must be approved by the Parade Committee.
- ✦ Applications received after the November 27th, 2010 **entry deadline**, may not be eligible to participate.
- ✦ **NO CANDY OR OTHER ITEMS ARE ALLOWED TO BE THROWN FROM ANY ENTRY!!!!** This causes children along the route to run into the street and into the path of parade vehicles. If you want to give candy, please have walkers walk along the sides and pass it out!!!! We are sorry, but anyone throwing anything from an entry will be disqualified as a future parade participant.
- ✦ The Chamber will furnish the **Official Santa Claus** for the day. Any unit having a Santa Claus as part of their unit will be disqualified. Mrs. Claus, Elves, etc. are fine.
- ✦ All floats and/or vehicles must be **decorated** in a Holiday Celebration theme.
- ✦ Parade participants may not mingle with or accost parade spectators.
- ✦ No water or other liquids are permitted in the parade, in conjunction with floats or otherwise, except with permission of the Parade Committee.
- ✦ **Alcoholic beverages** are forbidden on any entry or on the person of any parade participant. No profanity is allowed along the parade route or within the assembly areas.
- ✦ Only **forward movement** maneuvers are permitted along the parade route. A spacing of 40

feet between each unit will be enforced. All units are required to open or close the gap between units when asked to do so by parade officials.

☒ We will make every effort to **separate entries** with music by placing non music entries before and after. We will also make every effort to separate horse entries from bands and loud entries.

☒ The parade committee will furnish **pooper scooper crews** in the parade route for all equestrian units or other units with live animals.

Specific Category Rules and Regulations

BANDS

If you're a band and support unit – such as rifle team, majorette, street conductor, drum major, color guard, tall or short flags, etc., you should have entered on the entry blank your order of appearance:

- EXAMPLE:
- A. Banner
 - B. Rifle Drill Team
 - C. Majorette
 - D. Drum Major or Street Conductor
 - E. Band
 - F. Flag Team/Drill Team

Bands with more than one drum major should have indicated names of both. However, **ONLY** the drum major on the immediate left of the band will be judged; make sure the Drum Major is wearing his/her number, which is assigned to you. Note: Bands will be separated from horse and other loud or musical entries.

Bands should play throughout the line-of-march. Judges will be placed at specific locations along the line-of-march. These are in addition to the judges aboard the review stand.

MARJORETTE WITH BANDS

Corps or units must have **NOT LESS** than 3, or more than 9, including leader, to be judged in this competition. Over 9 will consist of CORPS and entered in a separate category. Be sure to indicate number in unit on entry form.

BATON CORPS

Only SR & JR Corps will be allowed to perform in competition. Members of a Color Guard will not be considered a part of the 8-man drill team **UNLESS** parade director has been notified in advance that the CG is a normal part of the drill team. This rule also pertains to all Junior ROTC units.

COLOR GUARDS

Units require the National Colors, one other flag and two weapons bearers. Firearms may not be discharged without prior approval.

FLOATS

Organizations having music aboard their float must advise the Parade Chairman so they will not be placed between two bands or other units with music. Also please maintain volume as not to interfere with other units in the parade.

VEHICLES

Only vehicles entered in the parade will be allowed in the assembly area. Drivers must maintain control of their vehicles at all times and have an unobstructed view. No one may ride on the hood, roof, trunk or bumper of an automobile.

EQUESTRIANS

Paraders Association of California rules apply to equestrian entries. Equestrian entries 12 years of age or under must be accompanied by an adult walking next to the unit. Riders must maintain control of horses at all times. Equipment must include a "bit", or horse and rider will not be allowed in the parade.

PENALTIES –

- Units must complete the entire parade route or be disqualified.
- There will be a penalty of one–point (1) for every 10 seconds or fraction thereof over one minute in the judging zone, with the exception of military or ROTC color guards or drill teams which will be allowed 90 seconds prior to start of penalty time.